

To John Bruce

26 Ap 41.

My dear Sir

I quite agree
with you about "the green
one, red" excepting that I
do not like the hyphen,
because it is not necessary
to make "green-one" a com-
pound word: "green" is the
adjective and "one" the
pro-substantive with which
it agrees. Any desire you
of your mind about the
hyphen, but did not say -
just the hyphen. Our reading

I call "the natural" as con-
trasted with "the
artificial" green—one red."

I do not think that
"incarnation" requires
explanation: it speaks for
itself, and I am opposed to
any impertinent interruption
by a note, where the author
is intelligible without it.

Commentators often,
wishing to show their own
learning, have made a
plain passage a peg on
which to hang the votive
offerings to their own vanity.

One of my great ob-
jects is to make as few
notes as ^{may be} consistent with
with a full and distinct

understanding of the au-
thor. Shakespeare is vastly
more intelligible than it was,
the interest of Malone, Stee-
vens, &c &c. to represent him.

I will write to Lord
Francis directly & upon
better paper than I am
now compelled to use for
you. Spare it. I am not
sure if Mr F. E. Lee yet
come to town — most likely
he was in the Divinity
last night. He would not
like to be away.

Of course I shall
not "peach" about the
Council and your opinion
of its proceedings.

Yrs sincerely
J. P. Collier
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